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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE PETITION FOR  
EXTENSION OF TIME FROM THE OFFICE ACTION

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Applicant : Greg Bates, et al.  
Application No. : 10/673,828  
Filed : September 29, 2003  
Title : LASER WELD MONITOR  
Grp./Div. : 1725  
Examiner : Maria Alexandra Elve  
Docket No. : 51210/U56

Confirmation No. 2536

Commissioner for Patents  
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December 23, 2005

Commissioner:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner to extend the time for response to the Office action dated July 26, 2005 for 2 month(s) from October 26, 2005 to December 26, 2005.

The fee for extension of time required by 37 CFR § 1.17 is calculated below.

CALCULATION OF FEE			
LENGTH OF EXTENSION	SMALL ENTITY	LARGE ENTITY	FEE
WITHIN FIRST MONTH	\$ 60	\$ 120	\$
WITHIN SECOND MONTH	\$ 225	\$ 450	\$225

Submitted herewith is a check for \$ 225 to cover the cost of the extension.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account. **A copy of this letter is enclosed.**

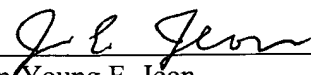
Respectfully submitted,

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